| PETITION E | R EXTENSION OF TIME | Docket No.: | BAL6019P0011US | | |
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| Serial No.: | 09/429,723 | Filing Date: | October 29, 1999 | | |
| Group Art Unit: | oup Art Unit: 1661 | | Grunberg, Anne Marie | | |
| Applicant(s): | Claude Hope | | | | |
| Invention: | Mutant Apical Dominance Gen | e in Eustoma | A. | | |

Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

TECH CENTER 1600/2000 Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period filing a response to the Office Action of April 23, 2002 in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached Response timely.

| Extension Fee For Response Within: | | First Month | | Second Month | | Third Month | | Fourth Month | | | | |
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| _ | e Entity: ll Entity: | | \$110.00 \$55.00 | | \$400.00 \$200.00 | ⊠ □ | \$930.00 \$460.00 | | \$1,440.00 \$720.00 | | | |
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| ⊠ | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0785. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. | | | | | | | | | | | |

Respectfully submitted,

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